

Probable thunder-  
showers, not quite so  
warm.

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## UNDERWOOD SAYS LEAGUE IS REAL STEP FORWARD

Alabama Senator Defends  
World Union in Senate and  
Asks Ratification Without  
Any Change.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—Characterizing the league of nations as a practical step toward world peace involving no sacrifice of national sovereignty, Senator Underwood, Democrat, of Alabama, urged in the senate today acceptance of the league covenant without amendment or reservation.

"The great cause of war," he said, "may be paraphrased in two words: 'national selfishness.' Until the civilization of the world is prepared to defend its own selfish ideas, it will recognize the rights of other peoples, the inherent causes of war must continue to exist.

"I am not prepared to say that the adoption of the present treaty carries with itself the elimination of these causes of war, or that in the end there will be no more wars, but I do say that, within the limits of what we find an agreement between the great nations of the world that probably will in the future carry the question of national dispute to a court of final arbitration, and in many, if not most instances, avoid the horrors and injuries of war.

"I do not regard the organization of the league as a supergovernment. No supergovernment could exist without power to maintain itself. Within itself, the league has no power to enforce its laws, and without revenue a government cannot long exist. The league has no power to raise armies and navies, and without military forces it can not defend itself. With the right to withdraw I feel that there is no need to fear the danger of the world's peace being destroyed by the league of nations.

"I am more interested in the principles enunciated in the league relating to the peace of nations than I am in the power given for its government, for those principles are the future of the league must depend. I would have been glad to subscribe to a contract that would have arbitrarily limited the power of the league, but I am not prepared to do so. I believe that the league of nations is a step forward, and I believe that it is a step toward the peace of the world.

## PHYSICIAN DIES OF STROKE OF APOPLEXY

FINE BLUFF, Ark., July 15. (Sp.)—Dr. J. L. Magee, aged 41, one of the most prominent physicians of the city, died at his home Sunday night from a stroke of apoplexy sustained at 3:30 Sunday afternoon while driving home from a professional call.

The deceased was born 16 years ago from Mobile, Ala., and had built up a large practice. He was a member of the Catholic church, and was a Knight of Columbus. Besides his wife he is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Magee, of Jacksonville, Fla.; four brothers, Joe Magee, of Commerce, Tex.; Sam and John Magee, of Jacksonville, Tenn.; and four sisters, Misses Magee, Emma and Genevieve Magee, of Mobile, Ala.; and Elizabeth Magee, of Vicksburg, Miss. He was buried Monday and accompanied the remains to Jacksonville where they were laid to rest Tuesday.

## Bible Class Wears Bathing Suits

TAMPA, Fla., July 15.—The Twentieth Century Wesley Bible class will hold its regular monthly meeting tonight in the water at Sunset beach dressed in bathing suits. President W. E. Almon will preside from the diving board.

## GOVERNMENT WINS FIRST BEER POINT

U. S. Gains Victory in Fight  
Against Brew Sale at  
Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., July 15.—The government won its first point today in its fight against the sale of beer containing alcohol, when Judge W. H. S. Thompson, in United States district court, overruled demurrers of officers and directors of the Pittsburgh and Independent Brewing companies to charges of violation of the war-time prohibition laws. Each of the defendants, 19 in all, was held in \$1,000 bail for the November term of court.

## PROHIBITION DEBATE CONTINUES IN HOUSE

WASHINGTON, July 15.—With indications there would be no letup in the bitter fight which several times yesterday reached such a stage that confusion and disorder, resumption of the prohibition enforcement measure debate was expected to be the only business in the house today. Opponents of prohibition, assisted in some instances by members of the dry forces, who have expressed belief that some features of the legislation proposed are too drastic, were expected to continue their fight for moderation.

Every attempt so far to have the measure as reported from committee amended has met with defeat except in two instances which have failed. Yesterday included that permitting the sale of 2½ per cent. beer, and the amendment to the courts instead of congress to decide what constitutes an intoxicating beverage, and still another, which was designed to protect California grape growers.

## FOUR FRANKS THE S GRANTED

Says He Thinks Professional  
Soldier Murderer Even  
Pershing Included.

MOUNT CLEMENS, July 15.—Henry Ford made many frank admissions in his \$1,000,000 suit against the Chicago Daily Tribune. Examination was by Attorney Elliott G. Stevenson, representing the Tribune.

Mr. Ford admitted ignorance of history, and said that more than ever he considered it "hunk" growing out of tradition, but he was not a professional soldier. He said that he was not a professional soldier, and that he was not a professional soldier, and that he was not a professional soldier.

## MAYOR SAYS \$2.20 RATE IS SURE THING

Mayor Monteverde said Tuesday that he knew of nothing that would prevent the passage of third and final reading of the ordinance fixing the city tax rate at \$2.20. This, of course, means that the city taxpayers will have to pay that rate in spite of the finding by the business men's tax rate committee that a rate of \$2 would yield enough above the 1918 income to give all funds needed for a good government.

## CONTRACTORS AND LABORERS AT STAGNATING POINT

Organized Labor Insists Upon  
Union Working Card Sys-  
tem — Builders Exchange  
and Employers Oppose It.

The movement for the adoption by all the building trades unions in Memphis of the building trades union card and the requirement that every worker on every building job must hold such a card will be discussed further at an open meeting of the Building Trades council Tuesday night.

It is not the intention of the leaders of the building trades unions to put this new law into effect on contracts that are now under way, or to attempt to enforce it on contracts upon which bids have already been prepared and entered, but to have it apply to all new contracts after the first of next month. The movement was begun several months ago and has been submitted for a referendum vote to all the affiliated unions, which are members of the Building Trades council. Reports from a number of these unions probably will be made Tuesday night.

The rule requiring the building trades card will not be put into effect unless it is endorsed by a majority of the unions, but it is said that but three or four have already voted in favor of the proposed rule.

## Opposed by Exchange.

Members of the Builders' exchange, the affiliated contractors' association and General Contractors' association and members of the Employers' association have expressed opposition to the proposed building trades card. They believe that the card will be a hindrance to the building trades, and that it will be a hindrance to the building trades, and that it will be a hindrance to the building trades.

The union carpenters and the building trades union have had no agreement for months, and the general contractors, through their organization, have been opposing the union card. Committees from both sides held many conferences and a government of the building trades union was organized in an effort to bring about an agreement, but without result.

## BOLT STRIKES CAR; 25 PERSONS HURT

PITTSBURGH, Pa., July 15.—Twenty-five persons were injured, twenty-two fatally, when lightning struck a car on the highway near the intersection of Fifth and Wood streets, in the center of the downtown district, during a severe electrical storm this afternoon.

## Refusal to Invite Wilson May Hurry National Tour

WASHINGTON, July 15.—Intimations that the senate foreign relations committee might not arrange for early conference with President Wilson for discussion of the peace treaty and the league of nations covenant led to the suggestion today that Mr. Wilson might begin his tour of the country sooner than he had planned.

## SHIPPING BOARD BOOKS COTTON FOR ALL PORTS

The shipping board is now booking cotton for export to all ports for September-December 31, at shipping board rates, according to advice received Tuesday from New Orleans by local agents. The Kerr steamship line has inaugurated monthly sailings to Barcelona and other ports, and is now receiving bookings for cotton and general cargoes. The steamship Eastern King is due in New Orleans today, and will accept cotton and general cargo for Copenhagen at shipping board rates.

## NEBRASKA READS TREATY COPIES OF NOTES

WASHINGTON, July 15.—A charge that Japan secretly secured pledges from Great Britain, France, Italy and Russia early in 1917 that in the peace settlement Shantung peninsula should, for certain considerations, be turned over to the Tokyo government, was made in the senate today by Senator Norris, Republican, of Nebraska, who produced what he declared to be copies of diplomatic correspondence embodying the promises of Great Britain and France. These pledges, the Nebraska senator declared, fully explained the pressure which resulted in Shantung's transfer to Japan under the Versailles treaty, whose ratification by the senate, he asserted, would write the "blackest page in the nation's history."

Great Britain's influence in the matter, he charged, was secured by Japan's support of British claims to Pacific islands south of the equator while France's aid was purchased by a promise of the Tokyo government to sell draw China into the war so that German ships in Chinese harbors would be available for carrying troops and provisions to France.

"On the 27th of March, 1916," said Senator Norris, Japan's minister of foreign affairs at Tokyo, approached the British ambassador located at that place, with a view of bringing about an agreement with the British government, wrote the Japanese minister, to the effect that Japan should be given the right to occupy the German islands in the Pacific north of the equator. It also agreed to support the demand of the imperial government for the surrender of the rights Germany possessed before the war in this Chinese province and these islands.

"Third, the interment of German ships in Chinese ports and the ultimate regulation of these ships in order to place them at the disposition of the allies following the example of Italy and Portugal. According to the Japanese minister, the Japanese government then agreed to the French government there are 15 German ships in Chinese ports and not in Tokyo. Similar agreement was made with Russia, and must be remembered that at that time Russia was still in the war, and it was anticipated that at the close of the war she would have a place at the peace conference.

## Japanese Reply.

"On the 21st day of February, 1917, the Japanese government replied to this communication by the British government as follows (omitting formal parts): 'The Japanese government is deeply appreciative of the friendly attitude which your government gives assurance and is happy to note it as fresh proof of the sincerity of your efforts to improve labor conditions. There has been a general movement in the Japanese government to support the labor union organizations and to extend the labor union organizations to a number of unorganized trades and a number of organizations have been held for that purpose. The union carpenters and the building trades union have had no agreement for months, and the general contractors, through their organization, have been opposing the union card. Committees from both sides held many conferences and a government of the building trades union was organized in an effort to bring about an agreement, but without result.'

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## BUSINESS HOUSES FOR SALE OF TRIF STAMPS

The John Gerber Company  
First to Organize 100 Per  
Cent Organization With 15  
Societies for Saving.

Thirty enthusiastic leaders, including government officials, men who saw sense in business, and local financial leaders, started out Tuesday to teach workers in Memphis the real reason of thrift. Organization of societies for the purchase of war savings stamps began soon after the workers entered the field and before noon one of the largest business concerns in the city reported a 100 per cent organization among many of its employees.

Fifteen societies for stamp buyers were organized in the department store of the John Gerber company before noon. Every employee bought at least a 25-cent stamp and as many secretaries were approaching that goal. The societies were organized by the John Gerber company, and the societies were organized by the John Gerber company.

## Stamps Good Investments.

The fact that the stamps are the safest investment in the world, maturing in 1924 and bearing 4 per cent interest, compounded quarterly, and the fact that the purchase of only 25 cents starts one on the road to saving, is attracting hundreds to the organization who never thought of saving before.

## Campaign Systematic.

The city has been mapped out by the block system, and the societies are working systematically. Before the campaign is over, every district in the city will have been visited. Four-minute men will invade the local business houses, and the societies are working systematically.

## MANY KILLED IN ITALIAN DISORDERS

ROME, July 15. (By the Associated Press).—Strike disorders occurred at various places in Italy yesterday. At least 100 persons were killed and 500 wounded. Near Genoa, two anarchists were killed in a fight with a carabinieri.

## CITY ADMINISTRATION CREATES ANOTHER JOB

Miss Corinne Jackson, of Nashville, who was engaged in the lower house of the legislature and a friend of Mayor H. H. Hays, member of the city administration, has been given a position as clerk in the city health department at a salary of \$12 a month.

## TANK IN AUTO BURNS TWO AT COVINGTON

COVINGTON, Tenn., July 15. (Sp.)—When the gasoline tank of the car in which they were riding became ignited Sunday evening, Mrs. Edgar Green was very severely burned, and her husband suffered minor burns. Mrs. Green sustained serious, painful burns on the arms in attempting to extinguish the flames.

## Freight Engineers Are Striking on Engines

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., July 15.—Twenty-five freight engineers of the Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific railroad, between Danville, Ky., and Oklafile, Tenn., went on a strike at 12 o'clock last night as a protest against the use of the big mogul engines.

## Advertise Ocean Flight Service

NEW YORK, July 15.—A Zeppelin freight and passenger transatlantic service to start "about Oct. 1," between New York and Hamburg, Berlin, London, and other European cities, was announced in advertisements in German language newspapers, and one American trade paper published here yesterday.

Harry Kham, an importer, who inserted the advertisements, said he had been designated by an American banker to act as agent for the service, which would be financed by American, British and German capital.

## LIQUOR ROBBERY NET UNREVEALED

Promised Disclosures by  
Ralph Davis Are Postponed  
for a Fortnight.

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## RAINE'S HOPE IS TO CALL SHORTAGE ON HIMSELF

Gambled Off \$1,091,000  
Bank's Money in Cotton  
and Says Directors Stopped  
Him and Broke Bank.

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IDEA HE GAMBLER  
Carried Accounts With Reese  
and Later With Foster in  
Name of "J. Johnson."

BY BOB HILDEBRAND.  
The marked chin, curly hair with emerald, C. Hunter Raine, cried like a baby in the second criminal court Monday morning, when he was told that he had gambled off \$1,091,000 of the Mercantile bank's money in cotton and that the directors had stopped him and broke the bank.

"I am not a gambler," he said, "I am a man who has been in the cotton business for many years, and I have been successful in my business. I have been successful in my business, and I have been successful in my business. I have been successful in my business, and I have been successful in my business.

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